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## Legion W.A. Meet

At the regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion the organization decided to stage a home talent show "The Nut Crackers on the March" on Nov. 10th, commencing at 8 p.m. The proceeds will go to the Polio Fund. Admission will be 50c for adults and 25c for children. The place where the show will be staged will be announced at a later date.

Another date, November 1st, was set for the C.N.I.B. film, "Our Eyes Have Busy Fingers," to which the public is cordially invited to attend.

The annual bazaar will be held on December 4th.

A joint Zone Rally will be held on Friday October 22 in the Gleichen Legion Hall.

Several donations were voted on and carried.

Please note that the next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be held on November 4th and not on November 11th.

The meeting adjourned in the usual manner after which a social hour was enjoyed over a tasty lunch.

## WHEN SUMMER DEPARTS

Today the air is crisp with the feeling of fall. Suddenly comes the realization that summer is over; that winter is on the way. Like a woman, summer gradually steals upon us. Like a woman, she departs without warning or ceremony, leaving us cold.

She has her wiles and her moods. She is alternately sunny and stormy. Warm, languorous and promising one day; cool and breezy the next. She frequently plays us false. She baits us with fancy seed catalogues of luscious fruits, succulent vegetables and gorgeous flowers—bedevils us with weeds that grow and seedling that don't. She entices us bald-heads to go hatless under the noon day sun and then parboils our epidermis until we cannot go otherwise. She ushers in the happy vacation period for school-weary youngsters—the season of play and carefree enjoyment that every boy and girl looks forward to.

She invites us motoring on Sundays over the open roads but extends the same invitation to every other man and his grandfather. A great institution summer! She has her faults, what woman hasn't but she has her virtues too. She brings all the thrill of wading out in a rocky bedded trout stream with a four ounce rod; of casting into an eddying pool and feeling a strike that races the line from a spinning reel—but still the biggest ones always seem to get away. She gives us days of glorious sunshine closing with exquisite sunsets in crimson and gold and rich pestal shades. She gives us soft moon-lit nights on a sandy shore where we can watch the millions of twinkling stars. She introduces those fashions for women in which opacity gives away for audacity. But her virtues are greater than her vices. A girl, summer! We hate to see her go.

A story goes that during the Nazi occupation of France four people were travelling in a railroad compartment—a young Frenchman, a pretty girl, a German officer and an old woman. The train plunged into a tunnel, and the sound of a kiss was heard, followed by a hearty slap. The old woman thought: "There's a good patriotic girl—the German kisses her, and she slaps his face." The girl thought: "I'm glad the German got his face slapped, but why did he kiss the old woman instead of me?" The German thought: "Here's a fine thing—the Frenchman kisses the girl, and she slaps my face." The Frenchman thought: "That came off very nicely; I kiss my own hand and give the Nazi a slap on the face."

Bob Staback of Calgary spent a few days in town last week visiting friends and relatives. He has retired from active life but takes a great interest in lodge work. He recently returned from a week spent in Shoshone, Wyo., where the Shoshone held a big meeting.



Basso Jan Rubes sings a European folk song while conductor Ivan Romanoff listens "Songs of My People."

## News Items of Local Interest

Mr. and Mrs. M. Bolinger and their daughter Mildred of Stratmore have gone to Texas for a visit. They went by air.

The sale of home cooking and afternoon tea put on by the ladies of St. Andrew's Church Saturday afternoon was a great success. The event took place in the Recreation Centre.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brown of Calgary spent the weekend in town with their family. While here they called on some of their old friends.

St. Victor's Church Catholic Women's League are holding their annual bazaar, home cooking sale and tea in the Parish Hall on Saturday, October 30th, starting at 3 p.m.

Frank Bates accompanied by his friend Slim Dalson of Kimberley, B.C. arrived in town during the weekend to spend a few days hunting small game. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hasayne. They have had very good luck in bringing down the small game and expect to have their full quota of birds before they return home. Mr. Bates has lived in Kimberley for about 20 years and knows this district well and all the good hunting places because he was raised here.

We notice that the highways department have affixed luminous tags to the fence posts along the edge of the road to aid motorists driving at night. This is a great help, but where we have no posts, we have no tags. Would it not have been better to have the tags in the centre of the road, along the white line? In Britain "cats eyes" set down the centre of the roads have saved many a blinded motorist and have been used for years.

Mrs. Schnelle returned Saturday from a trip to her home in Scotland. She was away for about three months.

During the past week we have been having real Indian summer weather. Crops are being harvested in record time. In town smoke hangs over the place as the leaves are being raked up and burnt. Also hanging over the town and roads is a pall of dust raised by passing cars.

Bill Blaney is having a new look on the Pool elevator. Workmen have been busy for the past week putting on a new shingle roof of the elevator.

Mrs. R. Yates of Crossfield was in town during the weekend visiting friends.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacArthur a girl on Oct. 15th.

The average Canadian woman spends millions of dollars a year to make her face look pretty with every curl on her head just right. Canadian men spend additional millions for the clean shaven look and talcum powder, etc. But turn them loose in a park with far more beauty than they ever see at home.

team or two of horses and the machinery that goes with this type of power, we begin to wonder, as many of their neighbors must do, if there is not something to be said for being a bit "old-fashioned" at times. For some years now the trend has been toward larger and more priced machinery of every sort designed—and to good purpose we agree—to eliminate man-labor and to reduce very considerably the man hours required to do the work. That there will be even greater improvement in farm machinery in years ahead we have no doubt, and certainly no one wishes to turn back the clock but the very conditions which have occurred this year when so much heavy machinery was useless for days on end during a critical period in haying or harvesting may well occur again. There is a great deal to be said, surely, for having a few of the older type implements around and horse power with which to draw them. Our modern harvesting equipment is efficient to a degree, but that it does have limitations on occasion has been only too clearly demonstrated this year.—World of Wheat.

and they leave car loads of debris in their tracks. Streams are choked with trash, lawns are littered with paper and the whole place is turned into a dumping ground for refuse and waste.

The district saw a great many hunters after small game Monday, which was the day the season opened. There were plenty of birds and many of the hunters got their quota.

The water running over the main dam at Carsland has been shut off to permit repairs to be made to the cement work on the dam. The water was shut off by making an earth fill above the dam.

Cam Evans has secured a contract for work on the canal in the vicinity of Queenstown and is moving his two caterpillar tractors to the scene.

Women pipe smokers may also adopt new personalities as they puff, suck and bite on pipes. Instead of talking, vivacious young things, they may become known as "deep and silent." Somehow, though, we have a feeling that pipes will never actually be taken up completely by female smokers, in spite of tempting publicity reports, as of all the women smokers we know we can't think of one who could be bothered lugging around all the equipment that seems to be required, or any female who has the patience for keeping the darn thing lit!

As we continue to hear and to read about farmers who in this very trying year have been able to harvest their hay and crops only because the happen to have a

and no house was safe if a pig were inside it. Then one day a wise man emerged who discovered that a pig might be roasted "without the necessity of consuming a whole house to dress it", and a new art had been born, a step forward in civilization taken.

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## 12 O'CLOCK AT MIDNIGHT

By WALTER STEELE

I suppose it is absurd to talk about hunches, and yet I knew what was in that letter. As plainly as though I had read it, I knew its contents, and they were going to change the course of my whole life. The climax of my life was at hand. The time was approaching when I must make my choice.

I changed my clothes and washed. Then I went to the ice box and mixed a drink.

The letter lay unopened on the table before me.

As though drawn by a magnet my eyes kept staring at the envelope. It wasn't as if I did not know what was in the letter. It was like looking at something you fear. I flung myself into a chair. The clock said 10 p.m. Beads of perspiration formed on my forehead. I reached for the letter and tore it open.

"We take this opportunity of reminding you (it read) that your late Uncle James Bisby was desirous of keeping all his money solely within the family. His will clearly stipulates that unless you renounce your right to get married by twelve o'clock midnight on the last day of this year you will be disinherited . . ."

Like the summons of doom the telephone rang. "Hello, my voice sounded hollow.

"Randy," said a dear, familiar voice. "It's almost time. Take the money and forget me."

"But, honey, you know I couldn't do that," I protested. In my heart, however, I did not feel certain.

"I don't want you to think that I stood in your way."

That was so like Ann, kind and considerate. Her beauty had been haunting my dreams for weeks now . . . as the time approached to make a choice between a fortune or marrying Ann. How could

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Uncle James have been such a contemptible old dog? How could any man in his right mind put a fortune between two lovers and their happiness? Desperately I told Ann we would get married anyway. But I did not sound very convincing.

The lawyer handling my Uncle's will was coming up at eleven for my final answer.

I felt a warm exhilaration as I thought of the money; how I would be able to splash on the surf at Pagoda; or listen to native music on the sun-drenched sands; or relaxing on the front deck of a yacht. More, I could even travel around the world, if I felt like it. What was love in comparison to all this? Yes, what was it? Had I better take the money after all?

My thoughts were rudely interrupted by the ringing of the doorbell. My Uncle's lawyer, Mr. Babbitt, had arrived. He was slim, grey-haired, and had a correct, efficient manner. I tried to draw him out on whether I should take the money or marry Ann; but "his interest," he replied, "was purely professional and he would rather not offer any advice on the matter."

"You also have been told," continued the lawyer, "that there is a codicil to your Uncle's will, to the effect that if you decide to marry, the final disposition of the money is enclosed in a sealed envelope. This is not to be opened until one minute after the old year."

"Drat that old coot, anyway!" I exploded. "He has made my life miserable! It seems to me that no matter what choice I make, the rest of my life will be spent regretting that I didn't do just the opposite."

"Well, your Uncle wasn't exactly what you would call an eccentric. He was, however, somewhat of a philosopher. Being a self-made man he thought that money just handed to people on a silver platter destroyed character. In one respect he is doing this because he knows that if you accept the money in the place of your one great love you probably will be so miserable after a few years that the money will be a curse to you. On the other hand if you marry the girl you will be far happier than anything money can buy."

Squirming I glanced at the clock. Ten minutes to twelve. The moment I had feared for months was now at hand. Desperately I tried to think. But my mind seemed to fail me. I could just sort of look around in a daze.

Mr. Babbitt simply sat in his chair stolid and implacable, his professional appearance unruffled just as if he were handling a routine affair.

The ticking of the clock seemed to fill the room. I could imagine it mocking me. It seemed almost human and filled with the wisdom of the ages. I felt like asking the clock for its advice. The stillness startled me. I began to imagine \$500,000 heaped in the middle of the living room floor. It looked like a big pile. Then I saw Ann sitting beside it. She was young, beautiful, exquisitely dressed, her hair was shining like a picture in a magazine.

Then she was playing with the money, tossing it in the air; the money showered around the room like leaves in a windstorm. The clock ticked away like a piano during a melodrama. Then Ann produced a match, lighting the big stack of money. The flames roared toward the ceiling. I looked at the clock. It was almost twelve. I exploded: "Keep the damn money! . . . keep it! I'm taking Ann! I love you, Ann!"

Dimly I heard the clock toll off twelve and the lawyer's voice. Startled, it brought me back to normal and I felt a warm, peaceful glow; the tension had gone. At last I was the same Randy James I had been before my Uncle's will. "Sorry, Mr. Babbitt, I guess things were just too much for me."

"That's all right, you have had a hard time of it. You did the right thing, lad! I'm proud of you. I am glad you decided to marry and forget the money. Now we can open the codicil and see who gets the money!" The lawyer pulled out a long impressive envelope from his inside pocket and ripped it open. Reading:

"To my nephew Randolph James:

"This letter was to be opened only, in the event, that you chose to marry in the place of money. So I assume that you refused my money. I put you to this test, Randy, because Ann is the daughter of a girl I once loved. Ann is a deserving woman like her mother. If you had taken the money, certainly, you would not have been worthy of her love. Now that you have chosen to marry her I bequeath my fortune to you just the same. May you both be happy."

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## Canadian statistics report

(A Weekly Review)

Trade—Larger shipments of wood pulp, newsprint, nickel and several other commodities were more than offset by substantial drops in wheat, other grains and wheat flour. Canada's domestic exports to all countries in August were nearly 6 percent below a year earlier. January-August tally: a drop of almost nine percent. Trade in outstanding securities between Canada and other countries in the first seven months resulted in a capital inflow of \$58,000,000 in contrast with a net outflow of \$26,000,000 last year.

Production—Canada's industrial production was about 3 percent lower in July and the first seven months this year. Responsible for the July drop was a reduction of nearly 6 percent in manufacturing output, mainly in durable goods. Mineral production was close to nine percent above last year's July level, and output of electricity and gas was six percent higher.

Minerals—Nine percent less coal was mined and 17 percent less imported in August this year. In the first eight months production was off 6 percent and landed imports were down by nearly a quarter. Outputs of copper and nickel were appreciably higher in July and the first 7 months this year.

Manufacturing—The slump in pig iron and steel continued in July and production was down by about one-fourth in the first seven months. Factory sales of batteries were up over 14 percent in January-July, but seven-month shipments of washing machines, steel wire and fencing were down.

Food—More eggs, milk, soft drinks, margarine, shortening and lard were produced in August than the same month last year. About 25 percent more sows are expected to farrow in the June-November period this year than in the same 6 months last year.

Merchandising—Department stores sales rose more than 5 percent above last year's level in August. Retail sales were virtually unchanged from a year earlier in July, were down a moderate 1.8 percent in the first seven months. Second-quarter retail cash sales were down slightly from last year, but instalment sales were off more than seven percent and charge sales nearly three percent.

Accidents—10,959 persons were killed or injured in motor vehicle accidents in Canada in the first quarter this year. Of the 58,250 accidents reported, 396 caused 451 fatalities, 8,093 brought injury to 10,508, and 50,761 resulted in property damage only.

## Provides training facilities for x-ray technicians

OTTAWA.—A federal grant of \$31,535 has been approved to provide for the establishment of training facilities for Laboratory and X-ray Technicians at Edmonton, it was announced recently by the Hon. Paul Martin, minister of National Health and Welfare.

The grant was made under the laboratory and radiological services section of the federal national health program.

In announcing the federal grant, Mr. Martin predicted that this development would do much to relieve the shortage of technicians in the smaller hospitals of Alberta. The course, which requires six months to complete, will be open to 20 trainees per session.

## 19-Storey skyscraper set for Vancouver

VANCOUVER.—A real estate company official said recently that start on construction of a 19-storey skyscraper in downtown Vancouver is scheduled for April. The Utah Construction Company of San Francisco will build and own the \$8,000,000 building. The structure will be one of the largest and most modern office buildings in Canada.

## THE TILLERS



## 6-Million dollar barracks for Sarcee camp

CALGARY.—A new \$6,000,000 military establishment for personnel and equipment of Lord Strathcona's Horse will be built at Sarcee military camp in the near future, it was announced from Ottawa.

The new barracks will be in addition to the present military establishment of Currie barracks. Construction is expected to get under way shortly and is expected to be completed in the next 18 months to two years.

Total cost of the new installation, together with the expansion of facilities planned for Currie, will be in the neighborhood of \$6,000,000.

The new Sarcee establishment, which will be "just over the hill" behind Currie, is being built in conjunction with a vast new military area known as Griesbach barracks now under construction in Edmonton.

## Driver suspensions hit new high in province of Manitoba

Driver suspensions in Manitoba passed the 5,000 mark for the first time during the month of September, it is reported by R. B. Baillie, registrar of motor vehicles. The 422 drivers put off the roads during the month just past pushed the total number of suspended drivers in the province to 5,078.

This new peak means that the number of drivers under suspension at the end of September is more than double the number recorded for the 12 months of 1952, Mr. Baillie points out.

The 1952 year-end total was 2,174 suspensions. By the end of the following year, the number had increased to 4,162.

Of the 422 drivers suspended in September of this year, 58 lost their licenses because their insurance policies had lapsed. Two others failed to pay judgments levied against them.

Convictions on serious traffic violations resulted in 136 drivers losing their licenses. Sixty-three of these were charged with driving while drunk or impaired.

Another 42 were charged with driving to the common danger when an accident occurred; 18 were hit-and-run drivers, another 10 were convicted for reckless driving and one driver was involved in an accident while already under suspension.

Fifty-nine were taken off the roads for poor driving records, three for physical disabilities and four for mental disabilities. Thirty-eight licensed drivers who were called in for driving tests failed to pass the tests.

Some 122 drivers were unable to produce insurance cards at the time they were involved in accidents.

Of the drivers suspended for traffic violations, 208 were residents of Greater Winnipeg, 147 belonged to rural Manitoba and nine were from outside the province.

Police of the Greater Winnipeg area were responsible for 106 traffic convictions and the RCMP for 114. Eight reports came from Brandon, five each from St. Boniface and St. Vital, four came from St. James and two each from East and West Kildonan.

**KIPPY'S ORDEAL**  
POWELL RIVER, B.C.—Kippy, a Pomeranian dog, was saved after being trapped three weeks without food in a drain shaft. The dog, rescued by two boys, kept alive by drinking rain water in the shaft.

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## Funny and Otherwise

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"I never see you with Miss de Style nowadays."

"No, I couldn't stand her vulgar laughter."

"Really, I never noticed it."

"No?" Well, you weren't there when I proposed to her."

"Ladies and gentlemen," shouted the street performer, "in a few moments I will astonish you by eating coal, stones and nails. I will also swallow a sword, then I will come around with a hat, trusting to get enough for a crust of bread."

"What?" came a voice from the crowd. "Still hungry?"

Chorus Girl: "Look, girls, I've just got my diamond engagement ring."

Friend: "It's lovely, darling. Mind you don't drop it, as it means seven years' bad luck."

Prof.: "Are you sure this story is original?"

Student: "Certainly it is."

Prof.: "Heaven be praised! That I should at last meet Rudyard Kipling."

"I work my fingers to the bone for you every day and what do I get?"

"Sore fingers?"

Doctor: "Why do you want to be cured of winking? Does it matter so very much?"

Patient: "Matter! I should say it matters. I wandered into an auction sale this morning, and now I own three grand pianos, four carpets, and a parrot!"

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We owe them training as workers or as scholars, each according to his will and capacity—and training, too, as future citizens, able and apt to share in the fellowship and Public life of their community, and responsive



to its needs. That is what we mean, in Alberta, by equal opportunity for all our children.

Can this be done? Albertans believe it can—but there are many obstacles to overcome. Alberta is a land of vast distances and sparse population. The population is smaller than British Columbia, for example, but, because of its distribution, Alberta has twice as many schools. There are inequalities, numerous and varied, but the Alberta Department of Education has taken vigorous measures to eliminate these.

It has extended and enriched the learning program in remote areas through more adequate supervision and guidance, through correspondence courses, audio-visual aids and school broadcasts. It has given assistance where necessary, in centralization of schools in rural

the equalization grant is relatively high. For example, the assessment of Camrose School Division is approximately \$97,468 per classroom while in the Lac Biche School Division it is only \$20,787. Equalization grants compensate for this disparity.

In 1953, the Camrose School Division received a grant of \$80,-



435.09, approximately \$30 per pupil while the Lac La Biche Division received \$138,623.74, about \$80 per pupil. Equalization and operational grants from the Department of Education paid in these cases 36 per cent of the cost of education in Camrose and 77 percent in Lac La Biche.

A modern and efficient school program requires a modern and efficient school plant. The Alberta Government, through its building grants advisory services assistance in marketing debentures and guarantee of interest



has provided effective leadership in this program of post-war school expansion. In 1945, the value of rural school plant and equipment in Alberta was less than \$11,000,000. Today it is close to \$40,000,000.

In 1852, 852 schools units were under construction in Alberta at an estimated cost of \$25,000,000. More than 500 of these provide school accommodation for children who live in rural areas. There are 750 more classrooms in Alberta than at the end of World War II, but there are nearly 900 less one-roomed rural schools; and of these additional class rooms, more than two-thirds are high school grades.

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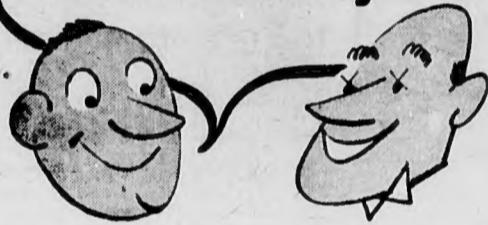
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areas and in the substantial increase in school transport. Nearly half the number of rural children now travel by bus to modern, centralized schools. But most of all, increased building and operational grants, paid directly to school divisions and districts, and the equalization grants allocated according to local need, have brought about a "new look" in rural education.

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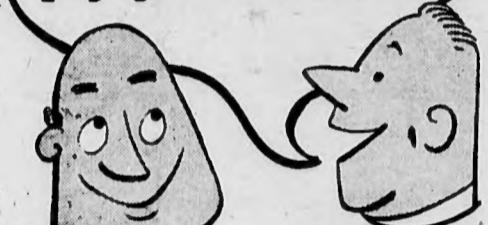
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They must be registered in an individual's name—either adult or minor. This registration gives protection against the bonds being lost, stolen or destroyed.

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